

# Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System

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*Information for*

Let's Talk About  
Some Particulars of  
KTRS



**Spring 2014**



**Gary L. Harbin, CPA**  
*Executive Secretary*

# Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System



*Established in 1938, KTRS provides  
“Retirement Security” for  
Kentucky’s educators.*



**Does the Board take  
their fiduciary  
responsibilities &  
obligations seriously?**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

- For 75 years, the independent Board of Trustees has successfully upheld its obligations to members, the education community, and the taxpayers of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- The Board has done so in a cost effective way while avoiding pitfalls that other retirement systems have experienced.



# THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## Are the Fiduciaries of the System

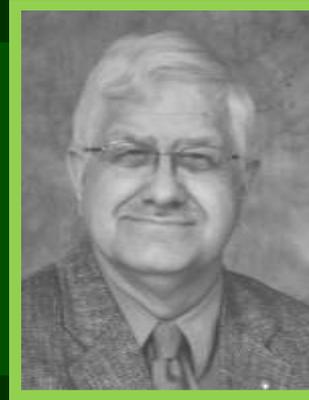
*Members Elect the Seven Trustees to a Four-Year Term on the Board.*



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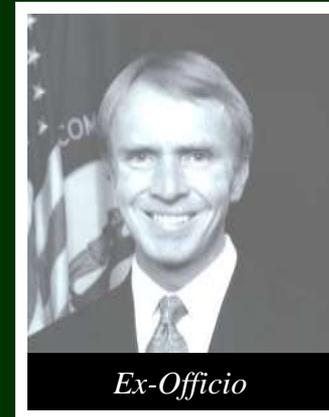
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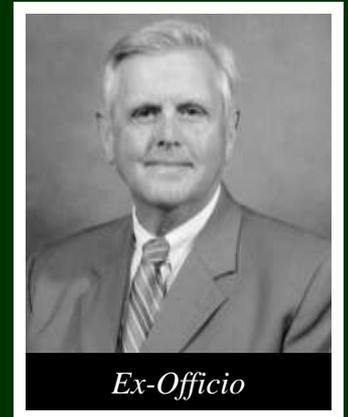
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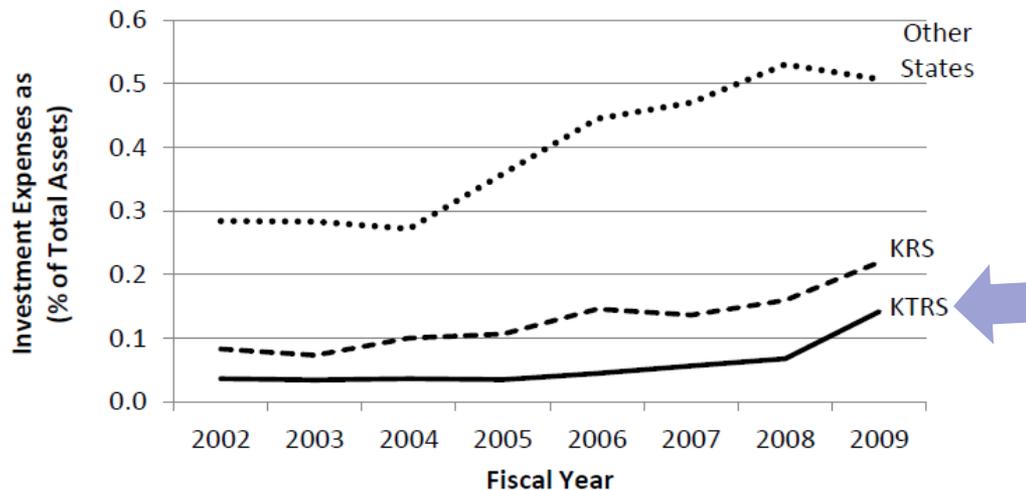
**Does KTRS Board  
keep a watchful eye on  
administrative costs of  
the plan?**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

**KTRS investment costs and administrative costs are among the lowest in the nation for statewide pension plans.**

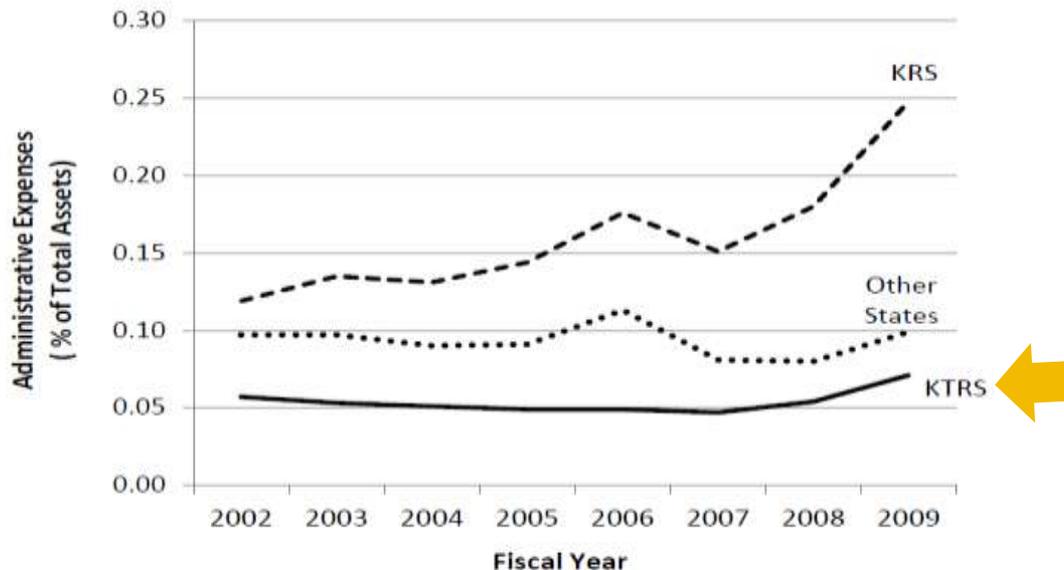




Note: Value of pension plan assets is the market value.

Source: Staff analysis of data from Boston College's Center for Retirement Research; Commonwealth. Kentucky Retirement. *Comprehensive*, various years; ; Commonwealth. Kentucky Teachers'. *Comprehensive*, various years.

**INVESTMENT EXPENSES**  
 as a Percentage of Pension Assets for KRS, KTRS, and the Average of Other States FY 2002 to FY 2009



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**ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES**  
 as a Percentage of Pension Plan Assets for KRS, KTRS, and Average of Other States FY 2002 to FY 2009

*Program Review and Investigations Committee*  
 9.13.2012

# KTRS Quick Facts ...



**Membership Over  
141,000**

**\$17.9 Billion  
in Assets**



**KTRS Distributes Over  
\$137 Million Monthly  
in Retirement Benefits**



**Over 48,000 Receive  
a Benefit  
from KTRS**

**14,991 Eligible  
to Retire**

# Field of Membership

## *as of December 2013*

<b>Active</b>	<b>0 – 26 Years</b>	<b>Non-eligible</b>	<b>43,976</b>
	<b>27+ Years*</b>	<b>Eligible</b>	<b><u>14,991</u></b>
	<b>Total Active</b>		<b>58,967</b>
	<b>Sub/PT/Retired Return to Work</b>		<b><u>15,584</u></b>
	<b>Total Contributing Members</b>		<b>74,551</b>
<b>Inactive</b>	.....		<b>18,506</b>
<b>Retired, Beneficiaries &amp; Survivors</b>	.....		<b>48,463</b>
<b>Total</b>	.....		<b>141,520</b>

*\* and/or age 55 with 5 or more years of service within the next fiscal year*

# Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System

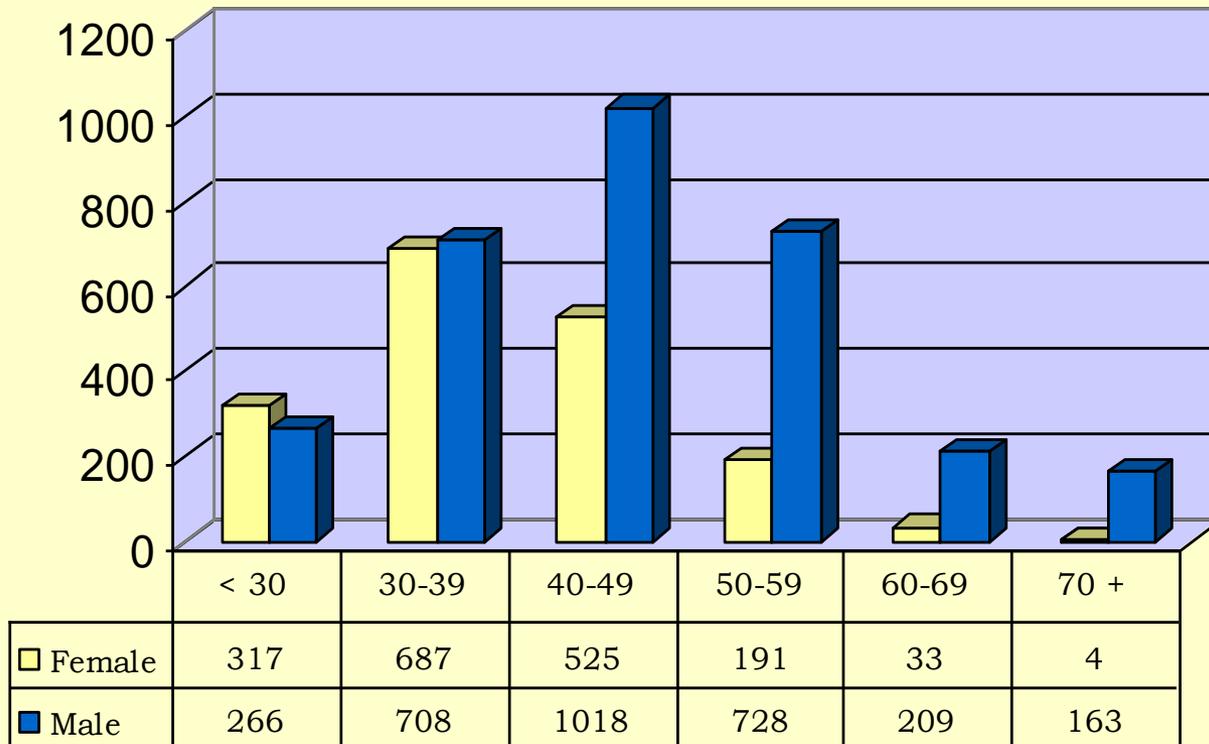
## Retiree Analysis

### Retiree AGE- *Dec 31<sup>st</sup>*

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>
Age <b>100</b> years old or more	37	41	38	46	56	62	<b>50</b>
Age <b>95-99</b> years old	266	273	278	279	276	233	<b>220</b>
Age <b>90-94</b> years old	758	704	710	708	705	707	<b>743</b>
Age <b>80-89</b> years old	3,687	3,784	3,890	4,074	4,239	4,295	<b>4,522</b>
<b>TOTAL RETIREES</b>	<b>4,748</b>	<b>4,802</b>	<b>4,916</b>	<b>5,107</b>	<b>5,276</b>	<b>5,297</b>	<b>5,337</b>

# Demographics

Members of the  
Kentucky Society of CPA's by Age by Gender



## KTRS Benefit Payments For December 2013

Benefit Type	Age Less Than 80			Age 80 and Above			All Ages		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Normal Retirement	11,081	25,728	36,809	1,553	3,858	5,411	12,634	29,586	42,220
Disability Retirement	578	1,916	2,494	31	93	124	609	2,009	2,618
Survivor Payment	164	202	366	1	31	32	165	233	398
Beneficiary Payment	629	1,344	1,973	185	735	920	814	2,079	2,893
Adult Disabled Dependent	184	130	314	1	-	1	185	130	315
Other Recipient **	-	-	-	-	19	19	-	19	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,636</b>	<b>29,320</b>	<b>41,956</b>	<b>1,771</b>	<b>4,736</b>	<b>6,507</b>	<b>14,407</b>	<b>34,056</b>	<b>48,463</b>

\*\* Includes Child Support and IRS Levy Payments

Benefit Type	Age Less Than 80			Age 80 and Above			All Ages		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Normal Retirement	26.4%	61.3%	87.7%	23.9%	59.3%	83.2%	26.1%	61.0%	87.1%
Disability Retirement	1.4%	4.6%	5.9%	0.5%	1.4%	1.9%	1.3%	4.1%	5.4%
Survivor Payment	0.4%	0.5%	0.9%	0.0%	0.5%	0.5%	0.3%	0.5%	0.8%
Beneficiary Payment	1.5%	3.2%	4.7%	2.8%	11.3%	14.1%	1.7%	4.3%	6.0%
Adult Disabled Dependent	0.4%	0.3%	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%	0.6%
Other Recipient **	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>30.1%</b>	<b>69.9%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>27.2%</b>	<b>72.8%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>29.7%</b>	<b>70.3%</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

# *Positive Impact of KTRS*

## For School Districts

- ❖ Provides a benefit to attract and retain quality teachers.
- ❖ When teachers retire, this provides positions for new teachers and promotions for current teachers.
- ❖ When teachers retire, this reduces payroll costs as retiring teachers are replaced by new teachers.



# Recap of Actuarial Status of the System

*as of June 30, 2013*

*In Millions of Dollars*

<u><i>Pre-funded</i></u>	<b>Assets</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Unfunded</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>RETIREMENT Benefit Fund</b>	<b>14,962.8</b>	<b>28,817.2</b>	<b>13,854.4</b>	<b>51.9%</b>

<u><i>Pre-funded*</i></u>	<b>Assets</b>	<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>Unfunded</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>MEDICAL Benefit Fund</b>	<b>412.2</b>	<b>3,521.1</b>	<b>3,108.9</b>	<b>11.7%</b>

*\* Transitioning to Pre-funded as of July 1, 2010*

# *Positive Impact of KTRS*

## For Members

- **Provides retirement security for those who have devoted their careers to teaching.**
  - A life-time retirement benefit determined by the member's length of service and salary.
  - A medical benefit prefunded through shared responsibility.



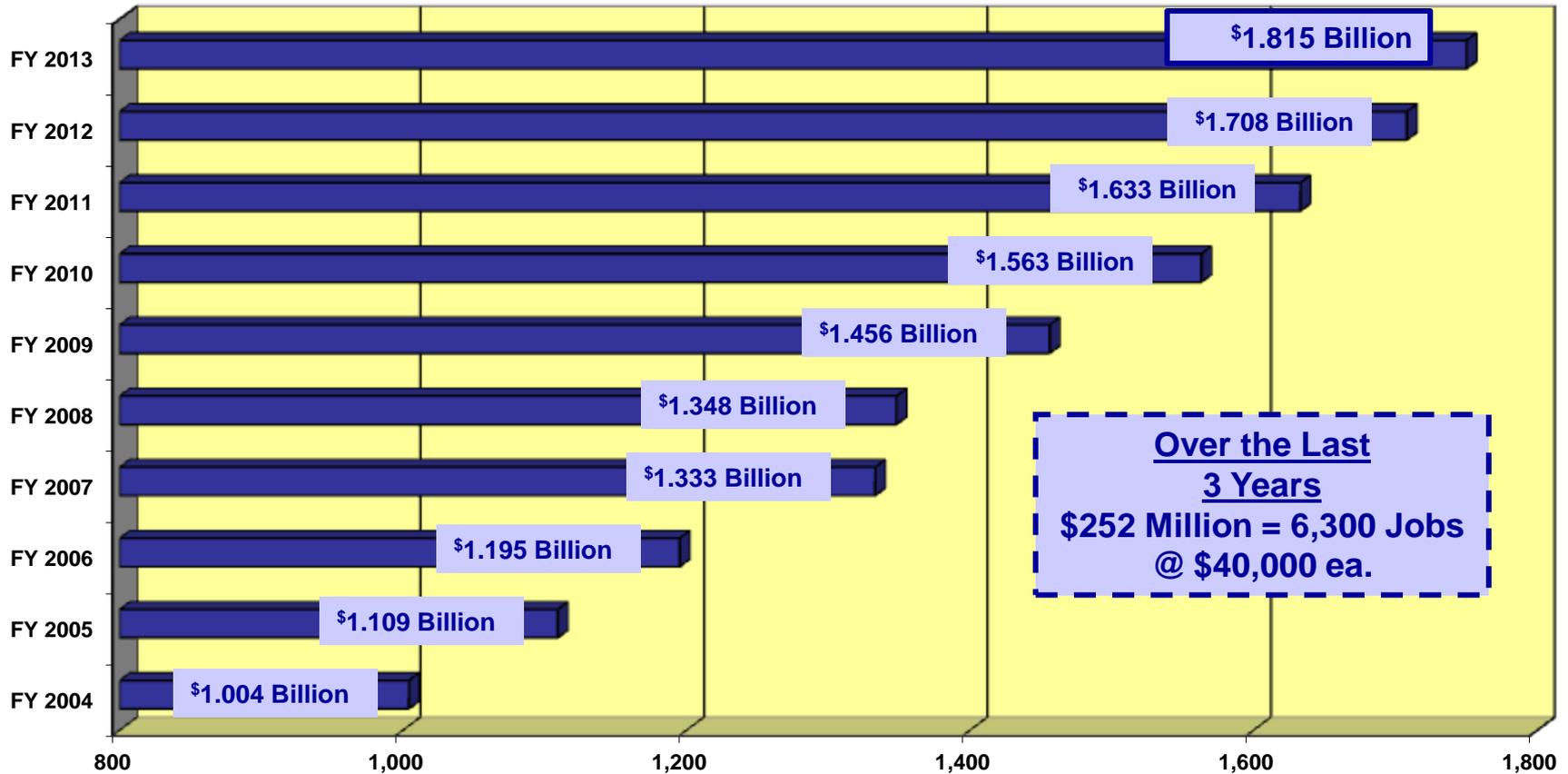


**Retired teachers have a significant economic impact in every county in Kentucky.**

- **KTRS pays monthly (*July 2013*):**
  - \$137.0 million in retirement annuity benefits
  - \$20.5 million in medical benefits
- 48,214 retirees, beneficiaries & survivors
- 92% of KTRS retirees live in Kentucky



# KTRS Distributes Hundreds of Millions of Dollars Annually



**Is the current structure  
(DB plan) of teachers'  
pensions the best way  
to provide for  
retirement?**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

**Defined benefit plans are  
the most cost effective  
way to provide for retirement.**

- **Professionally managed investments.**
- **Low administrative costs.**
- **Insurance against longevity risk and market timing risk.**

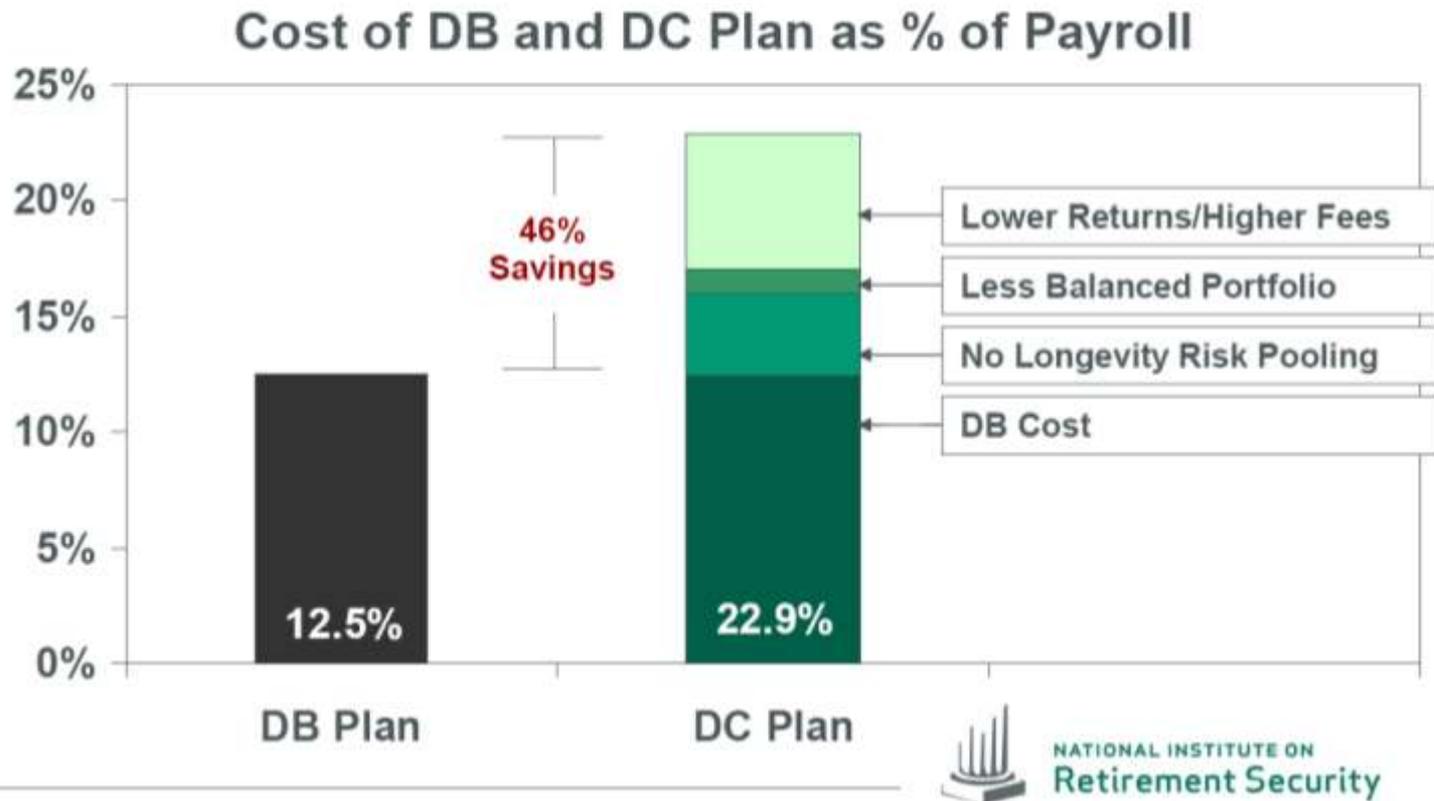


Defined  
Benefit  
*Group Retirement*  
Plan



Defined Contribution  
*Individual Savings*  
Account

# DB Plan Can Deliver Same Benefit at About Half the Cost of DC Plan



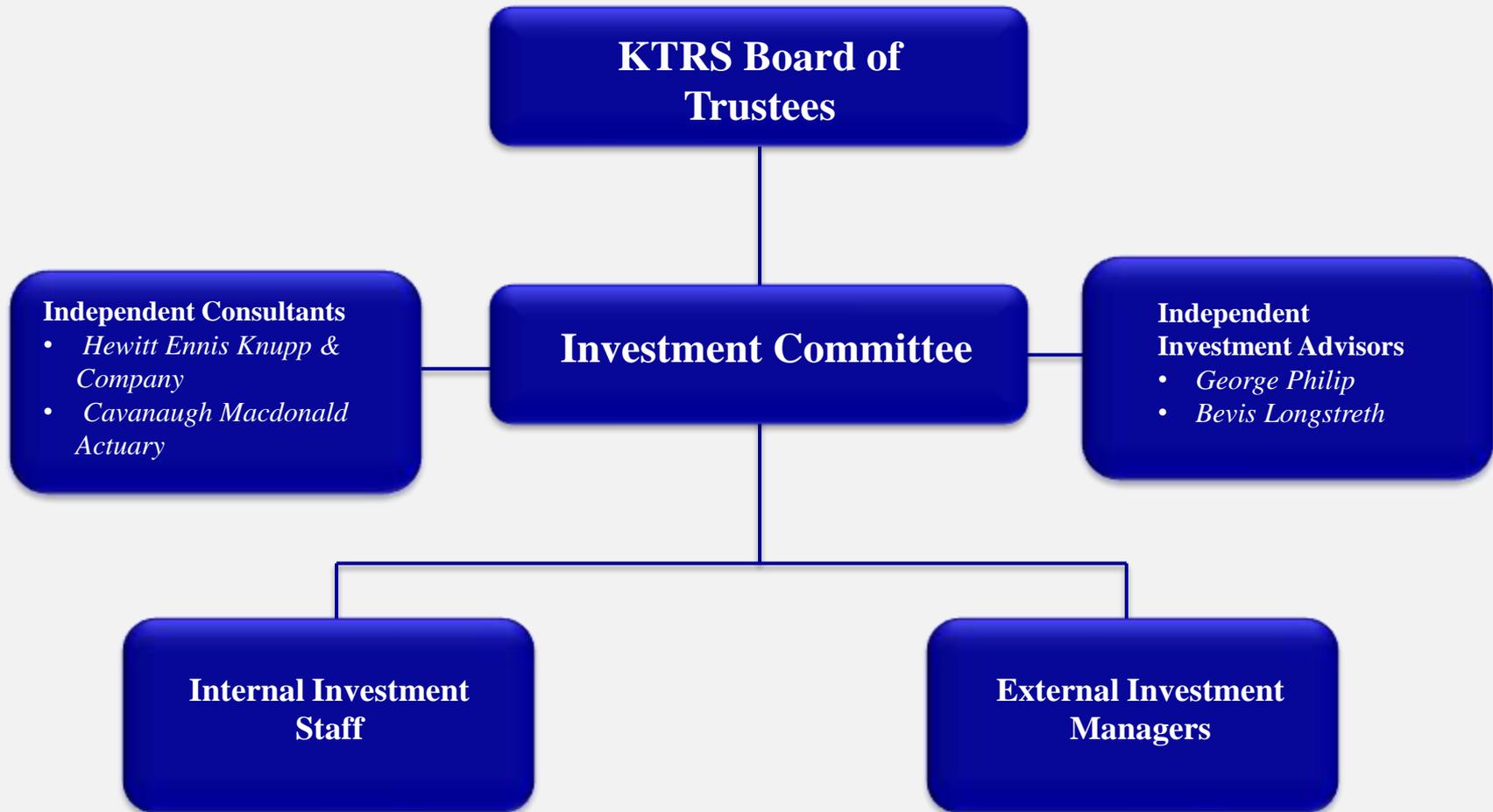
**Is the investment  
performance being  
adequately managed  
for optimum results?**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

**KTRS has strong Investment Committee structure with Elected Board members working with Outside Investment Professionals to guide the investment of teachers' assets.**

**KENTUCKY TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM**  
**Organizational Chart for Investments**



# Board of Trustees Expands Investment Committee

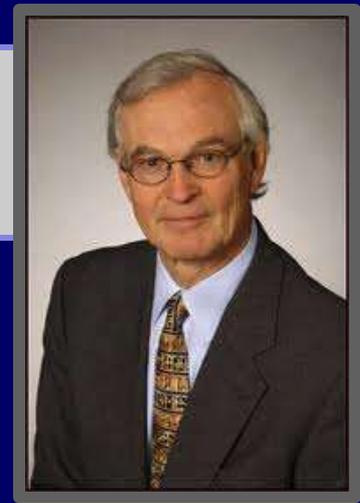
- Seven members – five trustees, two non-trustees.
- Two of the five trustees have investment experience.
- Both non-trustees are investment experts.
- All members of Investment Committee sign conflict of interest statements.
- All trustees receive continuing investment related education.

# The Structure of the KTRS Investment Committee ...

- Exceeds current industry standards.
- Is leading “Best Practices” for Investment Committee Structure.
- Has been recommended for use in other States.



# Bevis Longstreth



## Professional Investment Activities:

- Since 2005, Member Board of Directors of Grantham, Mayo & Van Otterloo, LLC, Chairman of the Risk Committee.
- From 1972 to 1981 and since 1984, Member, Finance Committee, Rockefeller Family Fund, responsible for investment strategy, manager selection and monitoring, Chairman from 1987 to 2004.
- Appointed Commissioner, Securities and Exchange Commission, 1981: re-appointed, 1982; resigned January 13, 1984.
- Member of the Board of Governors of American Stock Exchange from 1992 to 1998.

# *Bevis Longstreth ...*

## Professional Investment Activities (continued):

- Member of Board of Trustees of College Retirement Equities Fund (CREF) of TIAA-CREF from 1996 to 2006.
- Member of Board of Directors of AMVESCO PLC (INVESCO) from 1993 to 2006.
- Member of the Pension Finance Committee of The World Bank from 1987 to 1995.
- Author of three books including, Modern Investment Management and the Prudent Man Rule.
- Author of over forty investment articles appearing in various publications including Financial Times, New York Times, Washington Post, Chicago Tribune, The Banker Magazine, The Journal of Portfolio Management.

### **Promise of Bitcoin**

The failure of Mt. Gox may show the way to a better-regulated future for the virtual currency

### **U.K. Pension Race**

Denmark's ATP shakes up the market by exporting its prized retirement savings model

### **Energizing NRG**

The largest U.S. independent power producer wants to be an alternative-energy titan

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# Climate for Change

Investors can no longer ignore the risks posed by climate change or the opportunities it creates.

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# George M. Philip



## Professional Activities:

- President University of New York at Albany
- Currently is Investment Advisor to New York State Teachers' Retirement System.
- Serves and has served on numerous boards and investment committees including:
  - New York Stock Exchange, Advisory Committee
  - Chair of the Council of Institutional Investors
  - Director of US Airways Group
  - Director of First Niagara Financial Group (\$15Bn Bank Group)
  - Director of the Real Estate Investment Standards Board

# *George M. Philip ...*

## Professional Activities (continued):

- From 1971 to 2007 –  
New York State Teachers Retirement System\*
  - Chief Real Estate Investment Officer - 1988 to 1992
  - Chief Investment Officer - 1992 to 2007
  - Executive Director - 1995 to 2007

\* *One of the ten largest public pension funds in the United States, \$105 billion fund with 400,000 members. Mr. Philip was instrumental in diversification of portfolio including real estate and other alternative assets.*

# S&P 500 Returns for Last 50 Years

August 7, 2013



# Top-Performing Public Pension Funds

## Top-performing public pension funds

Ranked by one-year return as of June 30. For the full set of data, go to [Pionline.com/publicfunds13](http://Pionline.com/publicfunds13).

Rank	Pension fund	Return	Benchmark	Out-performance (basis pts.)
1	Oklahoma Teachers	17.40%	14.40%	300
2	San Bernardino County	15.05%	8.20%	685
3	Stanislaus County	14.60%	11.53%	307
4	Missouri Local Government	14.50%	9.10%	540
5	Nashville & Davidson County	14.22%	10.99%	323
6	Minnesota Board	14.20%	12.90%	130
7	Dallas Employees	14.20%	13.10%	110
8	Kentucky Teachers	14.10%	12.90%	120
9	Louisiana Schools	14.01%	13.48%	53
10	CalSTRS	13.80%	13.30%	50
	Wilshire TUCS all public median	12.40%		

Source: Plan reports, Wilshire Associates' Trust Universe Comparison Service

# INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

## KTRS RETURNS

FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2013

**1-Year**

**3-Year**

**5-Year**

**30-Year**

**19.7%**

**11.2%**

**13.4%**

**8.9%**



Over the last year KTRS returns have been in the  
**“TOP 4%”**  
of pension plans  
in the nation.

**Has the previous pension reform helped .....**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

- The average benefit for a full-time teacher working 30 years is about \$36,000 per year.
- Teachers do not receive Social Security.
- Teachers pensions are their source of retirement.
- Pension reform has happened twice in the last decade.

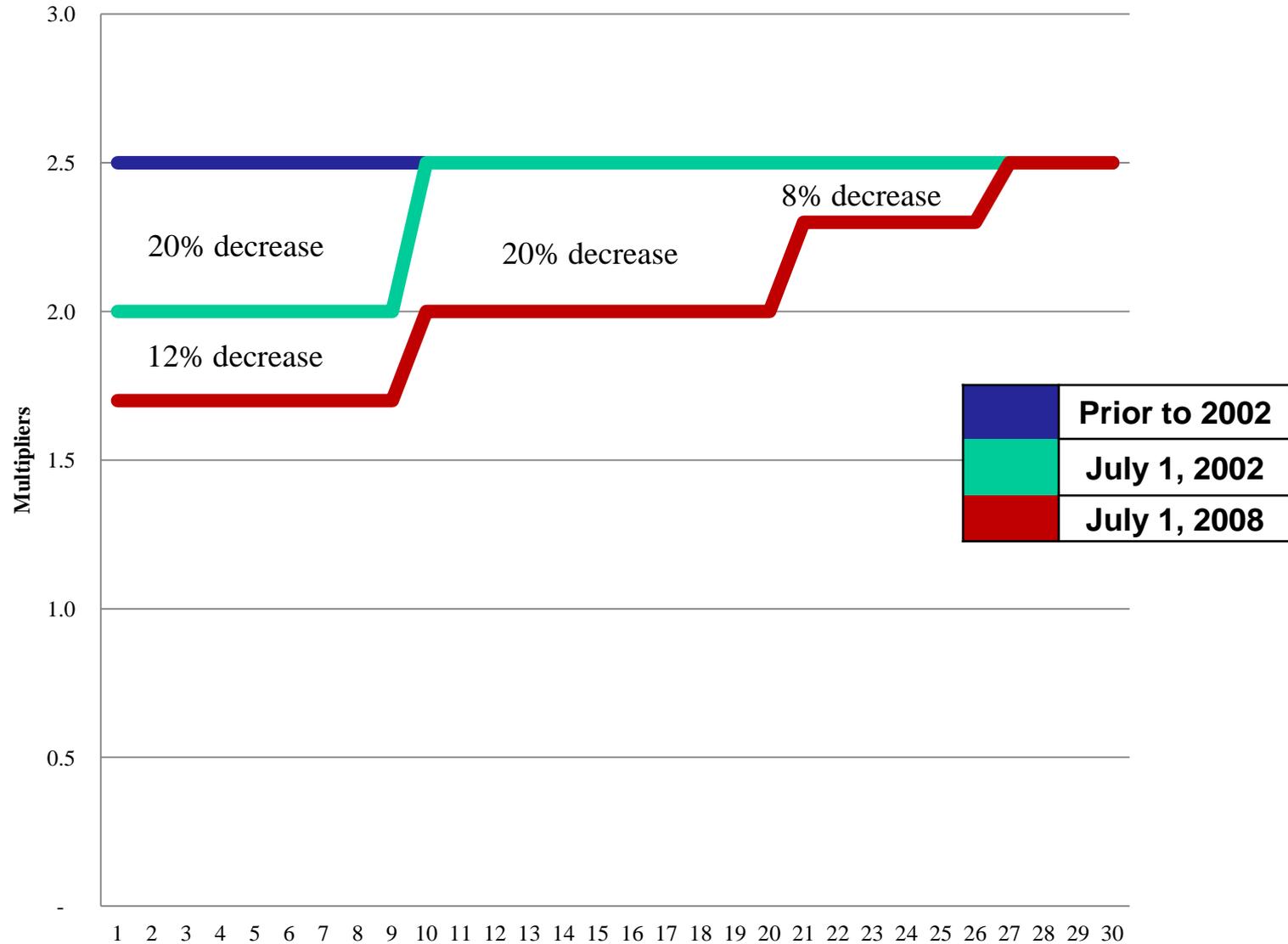


# Pension Reform

## Teachers hired after July 1, 2008

- Significantly reduced multiplier.
- Limited to 300 days sick leave.
- 15 year vesting for retiree health care
- Increased retirement conditions:
  - *Age 60 with 5 years service.*
  - *Under age 60 must have 10 years service.*
- Must contribute additional 1% for retiree health care (*this was increased to additional 3% by Shared Responsibility*).

# Pension Reform since July 2002

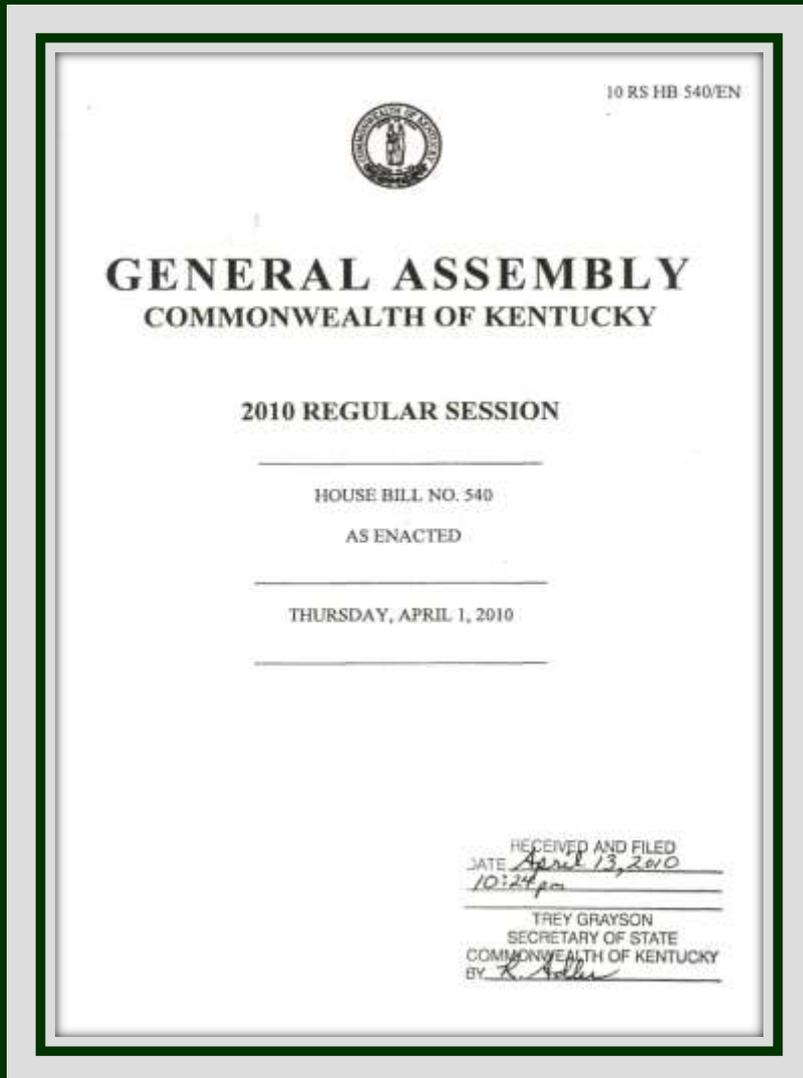


**Has the cost of retiree  
health care been  
addressed?**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

# A Solution of Shared Responsibility for Long-Term Funding of Retiree Health Care



*The Education Community, General Assembly, and Governor came together in 2010 and solved the funding for retiree health care – eliminating \$5 billion in cost to taxpayers for retired teachers' health care.*

# Constituency Groups' Long-Term Plan of Shared Responsibility for Funding Retired Teachers' Health Care

## Medical Insurance Fund

*Projected covered payroll (000,000s)*

### Active Teachers

	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16
Currently at .75% (1.75% hired on or after July 1, 2008) Rates will match for FY 2013	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%	0.75%
Increase medical contribution (Note: 1% increase is less than 1 months premium)	<u>0.25%</u>	<u>0.50%</u>	<u>1.00%</u>	<u>1.50%</u>	<u>2.25%</u>	<u>3.00%</u>
	1.00%	1.25%	1.75%	2.25%	3.00%	3.75%

### Retired Teachers

	CY 2010	CY 2011	CY 2012	CY 2013	CY 2014	CY 2015
Retirees under Medicare eligible age	110.50	121.00	131.00	141.00	150.00	158.00
Pay equivalent to the Medicare Part B Premium paid by retirees age 65+ phase in starting July 1, 2010	37.00	81.00	131.00	141.00	150.00	158.00

### Employers

	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16
School districts and other employers						
Phase into paying a medical contribution for retirees	0.25%	0.50%	1.00%	1.50%	2.25%	3.00%

### State

	CY 2010	CY 2011	CY 2012	CY 2013	CY 2014	CY 2015
Pick up net health care cost for new retirees under Medicare eligible age						
Current KEHP premium and <i>future estimated premium</i>	589.14	645.00	700.00	753.00	802.00	846.00
Less projected Medicare equivalent premiums paid by retirees	37.00	81.00	131.00	141.00	150.00	158.00
Net cost for State per new retiree starting July 1, 2010	552.14	564.00	569.00	612.00	652.00	688.00

Amount State redirects to fund retiree health care to be repaid over 10 years at 7.5%

## Pension Fund

### State

*Required matching funding going to the Pension Fund*

	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16
Matching contributions of active members	0.25%	0.50%	1.00%	1.50%	2.25%	3.00%

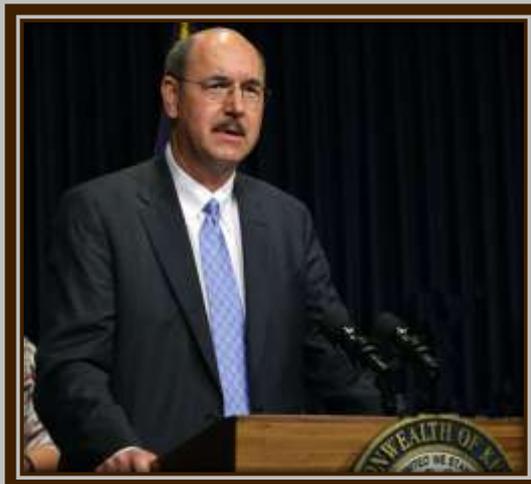
# Official Signing of House Bill 540



*Governor Beshear  
officially signs  
House Bill 540*



**Gary L. Harbin, CPA**  
*Executive Secretary of the  
Kentucky Teachers'  
Retirement System speaks on  
behalf of the agency.*



**Dr. Robert Wagoner,**  
*Executive Director of the  
Kentucky Retired Teachers  
Association, speaks on  
behalf of the agency.*



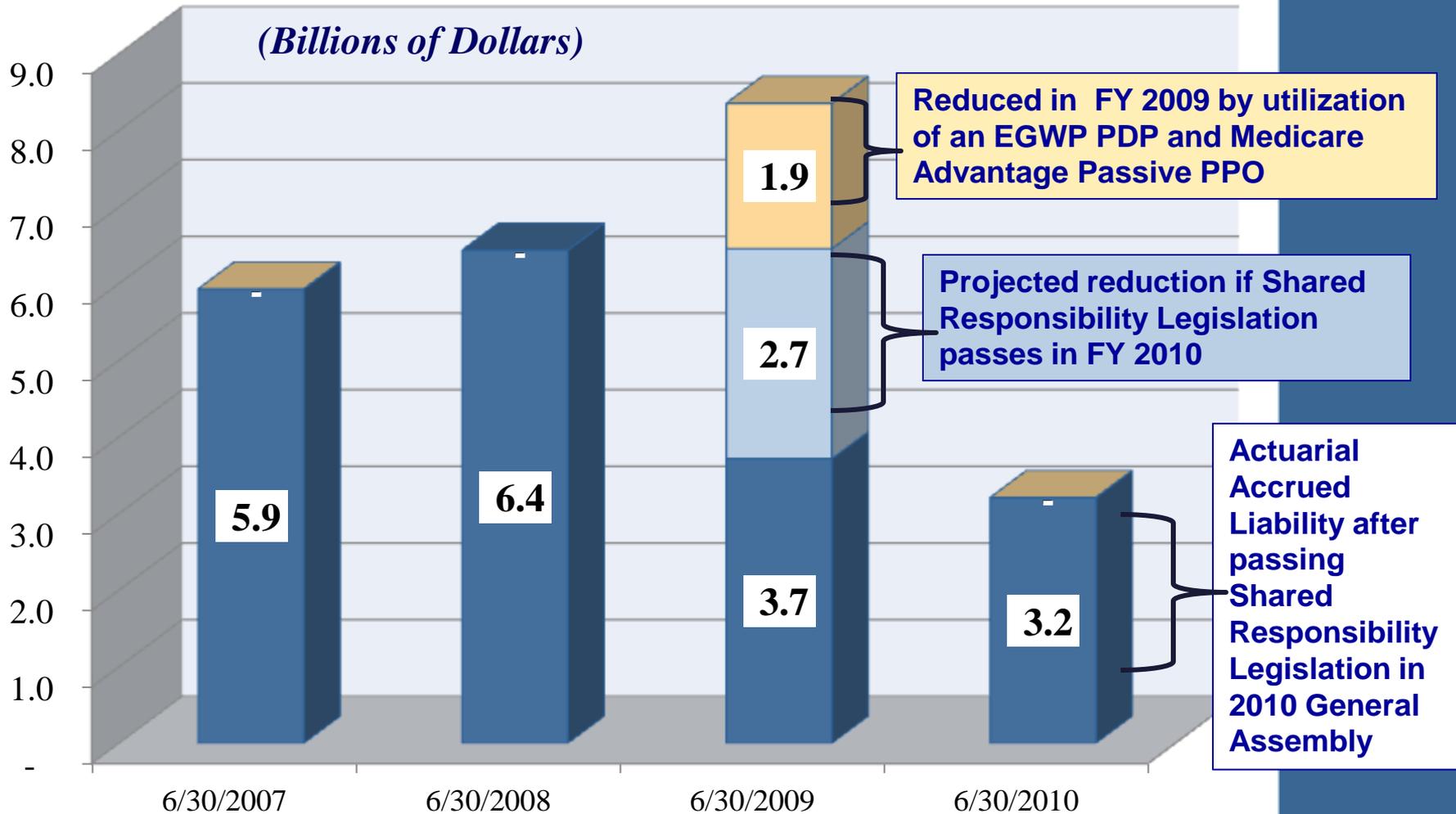
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**Has Shared  
Responsibility helped the  
retiree medical benefit?**

**ANSWER**

**YES**

# Actuarial Accrued Liability



■ 6/30/2011 = 3.1

■ 6/30/2012 = 3.3

■ 6/30/2013 = 3.1

*Positive News:*  
**States contributions – though short of amount needed – have increased since 2008**

<b>August 2010</b>	\$465 million bond to repay retirement fund
<b>February 2011</b>	\$268 million bond to fund state's portion of Shared Responsibility.
<b>March 2013</b>	\$152 million bond to fund state's portion of Shared Responsibility.
<b>July 2013</b>	\$38 million appropriated from general fund to fund Shared Responsibility.
<b>Budget for FY 15/16</b>	as stands; includes \$50 million and \$61 million to fund Shared Responsibility.

# *Upcoming Changes for the State*

- Amount of additional funding needed from State for FY 15/16 is \$386 million and \$487 million respectively.
- The State has indicated that it will be unable to pay this additional funding.
- Accounting rules for 2015 will require the State to report the unfunded liability using a lower assumed rate of return without this funding, thus increasing the unfunded liability from \$13.9 billion to \$21.9 billion.
- The State is committed to meeting its obligation to teachers.





Teachers' Retirement System  
of the State of Kentucky

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Come First!*

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*Protecting & Preserving Teachers' Retirement Benefits*